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Dear Dr. Lederberg,

I'm sorry to hear that Dot is leaving. Remembering her quiet competence, I can appreciate your desire to fill her position with someone as capable. However, I know of no qualified person who is looking for a job. As for myself, I am not contemplating a change at the present time. If I hear of someone, I shall refer her to you.

I feel an almost nostalgic sadness at the thought that the old lab is to be no more. But I'm sure you will have no trouble adapting to the luxury of more spacious quarters.

The Ryans, it appears from their letters, are getting the VIP treatment in Japan. We are learning to brew green tes and practising our bows in anticipation of their return.

Regards to Dot and Esther, and my best wishes for a happy New Year to all of you.

Sincerely,

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